# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION
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GDP and Job Growth
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**Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:**

(a) whether despite Gross Domestic Product (GDP) growth, the employment growth in the country has shown a slow down sign;

(b) if so, the comparative details of GDP and job-growth during each of the last three years and the current year, sector-wise;

(c) whether job opportunities in different sectors is the lowest in 2015-16 in comparison to the last four years; and

(d) if so, the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard, sector-wise?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI D. V. SADANANDA GOWDA)

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b) & (C): GDP growth rate at constant (2011-12) prices for the years 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16 are 6.6%, 7.2% and 7.6% respectively. As per the information received from the Ministry of Labour and Employment, the job growth (in lakhs) in eight selected labour-intensive and export-oriented sectors in the last three years as per Quick Quarterly Surveys on Employment and Un-employment conducted by the Labour Bureau is given below:

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S. Jan,13 Jan,14 Jan,15
No. Industry/ Group to to to Total
Dec,13 Dec,14 Dec,15
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1 Textiles 2.86 1.41 0.72 4.99
2 Leather 0.44 -0.07 -0.08 0.29
3 Metal -0.35 0.74 0.37 0.76
4 Automobile 0.16 0.25 -0.08 0.33
5 Gems & Jewellery 0.09 0.11 -0.19 0.01
6 Transport -0.09 -0.11 -0.04 -0.24
7 Information Technology (IT)/
Business Process Outsourcing 1.09 1.93 0.76 3.78
(BPO)
8 Handloom/ Powerloom -0.02 -0.05 -0.11 -0.18
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TOTAL (Year-wise) 4.18 4.21 1.35 9.74
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(d): Government has taken various steps for generating employment in the country like encouraging private sector of economy, fast tracking various projects involving substantial investment and increasing public expenditure on schemes like Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) run by Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises, Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee scheme (MGNREGA), Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDUGKY) scheme run by Ministry of Rural Development and National Urban Livelihoods Mission (NULM) run by Ministry of Housing & Urban Poverty Alleviation. Government has also decided to strategically promote labour intensive manufacturing and expand employment opportunities by promoting tourism and agro-based industries.

For skilling to provide employment, a new Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship has been established to coordinate the skill activities across Ministries. In order to improve the employability of youth, around 20 Ministries run skill development schemes across 70 sectors.

A new Scheme "Pradhan Mantri Rojgar Protsahan Yojana" has been announced in the Budget for 2016-17 with the objective of promoting employment generation and an allocation of Rs. 1000 crores has been made. The scheme is being implemented by the Ministry of Labour and Employment in 2016-17. Under the scheme, employers would be provided an incentive for enhancing

employment by reimbursement of the 8.33% EPS contribution made by the employer in respect of new employment.

To complement the skill initiatives, Ministry of Labour & Employment is implementing National Career Service Project (NCSP) for transforming the employment services in the country using technology to bring more employment opportunities to jobseekers.

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